ENHANCING AND VALIDATING SERVICE RELATED COMPETENCES IN VERSATILE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS IN WESTERN BALKAN UNIVERSITIES (E-VIVA)

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EVIVA PARTNERS:

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY OF TIRANA (LEAD PARTNER)

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e-VIVA TRAINING SESSIONS
From May to October, all partner institutions have organized staff, students and SME’s trainings to share the information on the e-VIVA project activities and inspire their academic communities to use the competence validation tools and practices at their daily teaching and learning activities.

e-VIVA Training Sessions in ALBANIA
Partner Institutions: European University of Tirana (UET) & Aleksander Xhuvani University (UEAXH)
UET (June 2020) and UEAXH (July – August 2020) organized training sessions with students enrolled in the selected piloting courses, using face-to-face and online modalities. Ten students from each partner university will attend a 2-weeks training on service-related competence validation at the Universidade NOVA de Lisboa (Portugal) premises. UET organized a staff training to introduce the e-VIVA project and a meeting with SME (June & September 2020).
e-VIVA Training Sessions in NORTH MACEDONIA
Partner Institutions: Mother Teresa University (UMT) & Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje (ISPJR)
Both Programme country universities organized staff and students’ trainings (May & September, 2020). Focus was on competence theory and taxonomies, theory of validation, service-related competences validation, etc. Moreover, the staff and students were introduced with the e-VIVA methodology as Level 5 validation approach, core elements of competence-oriented learning and validation, Level 5 Cube model, etc. These universities will host 20 students from UCG and SSST.

e-VIVA Training Sessions in BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA
Partner Institutions: University of Sarajevo (UNSA) & Sarajevo School of Science and Technology (SSST)
SSST (May 2020 & October 2020) organized trainings to share the information on project activities and inspire SSST staff to use its benefits in the everyday teaching with their students. Students too were introduced with the e-VIVA Project, competence validation concept and different opportunities offered in the framework of the e-VIVA Project. Another training session was focused on the work with the local SME representatives sharing the information about the project’s progress, outcomes, and desired accomplishments. UNSA too organized trainings with students about the e-VIVA project, BBB platform within Moodle, etc. (May, 2020). Top ten students will attend a 2-weeks training at the University of Duisburg-Essen.
e-VIVA Training Sessions in MONTENEGRO  
Partner Institutions: University of Montenegro (UCG) & University of Donja Gorica (UDG)  
UCG and UDG held promotions of e-VIVA project to the staff (May 2020 & July 2020). They were introduced with the learning pathway documents for the selected courses at the respective universities. The training at UDG presented the methodology of e-VIVA project, introduction to the concept of competences and especially service-oriented competences, introduction to Entrecomp. The training of business representatives was organised jointly by representatives of UCG and UDG on October 9th, 2020. The meeting was attended by representatives of the state ministries, businesses and NGOs. Lastly, students at each university were introduced with the e-VIVA Project, service-related competences and their validation, relevance of competence certification, etc. Ten students from each partner university will attend a 2-weeks training at the Mother Teresa University and Universidade NOVA de Lisboa (Portugal) respectively.

e-VIVA Training Sessions in KOSOVO  
Partner Institutions: Universum College (UC) & Kadri Zeka University (UKZ)  
UC and UKZ’s students and staff were introduced with the e-VIVA project progress (May 2020). They were informed and trained about Mahara platform and were notified about the upcoming study visit. Ten students from each partner university will attend a 2-weeks training at the University of Duisburg-Essen and Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje. Lastly, UC in the framework of the e-VIVA Project organized a meeting with external stakeholders and SME representatives, introducing them with the e-VIVA project progress and activities (September, 2020).
e-VIVA Training
Sessions in SERBIA
Partner Institutions: University of Novi Sad (UNS) & University of Niš (UNI)
At UNI (May & September 2020), project team gave a brief introduction of the e-VIVA project, its main objectives, partners, and achieved results. Main topics were service-related competences and their relevance in modern economy, Level 5 methodology, learning platforms and tools. UNS too organized two dissemination activity focused on the importance of the use of the e-VIVA Project tools and methodology for the students and academic staff (June & July, 2020). These webinars were focused on the role of the e-VIVA approach in modifying syllabus and curricula with an overview to the Level 5 validation matrix. Ten students from each partner university will attend a 2-weeks training at Program Country universities in Germany and North Macedonia. Lastly, on 9th of October, Prof. Dr. Marko Milojkovic and Dr. Miodrag Spasic from the University of Niš presented e-Viva concepts to seven SME representatives in Niš. This event was organized online due to ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

DISSEMINATION EVENTS

**e-VIVA INFO DAYS**

*e-VIVA National Info Days organised at the European University of Tirana (15-16 October 2020) and University of Sarajevo premises (22nd September, 2020)*

Partner Institutions: European University of Tirana (UET) & University of Sarajevo (UNSA)

At UET, e-VIVA Info Day were organized on 15-16 October 2020 at the university premises. Staff, students and external stakeholders attended two-days dissemination events. Key project concepts and outcomes were presented by Prof. Dr. Ermira Qosja. At UNSA, e-VIVA Info Day and Workshop were organized on 22 September 2020. Attendees were introduced to e-VIVA project in general and the current implementation of the e-VIVA project. e-VIVA Info Day and Workshop event was organized primarily for representatives of business entities, but also for the representatives of the academy and students.
ERASMUS DAYS 2020

Erasmus Days 2020 were celebrated by the e-VIVA consortium through various dissemination activities (15th - 17th of October 2020)

Partner Institutions: European University of Tirana (UET), Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje (ISPJR), Aleksander Xhuvani University (UEAXH) & Kadri Zeka University (UKZ)

UET, ISPJR, UKZ and UEAXH from 15-17 October celebrated the Erasmus Days 2020 at their respective premises. During the three days these institutions have presented and promoted the e-VIVA project through various activities. Simultaneously, there are organized fairs (information corners), workshops, conferences, and other dissemination activities related to the project. At the event organized by UET, students shared their Erasmus+ ICM experiences and were introduced with the e-VIVA project. Additionally, a live session on ‘Capacity Building in Higher Education, students exchange and Jean Monnet’ was organized and the e-VIVA Project was disseminated among participants. During the 2nd day of the Erasmus Days 2020 @UET, representatives of the Erasmus Office in Albania, European Union Delegation, Ministry of Education attended the organized dissemination events. Representatives of the Erasmus+ Office in Albania also attended the celebrative events organized by the UEAXH and these celebrations were also broadcasted on the news of the local televisions. At ISPJR, participants at the Erasmus Days 2020 were introduced with the e-VIVA Project and dissemination materials such as leaflets and other promotion materials were distributed. Lastly, UKZ organized two presentations of the e-VIVA project targeting the academic staff and management of university.
e-VIVA project is presented at the Live session on “Capacity Building in Higher Education, students exchange and Jean Monnet” (26th of October, 2020)
Partner Institution: European University of Tirana (UET)
On October 16th, e-VIVA Project Manager, Dr. Ketrina Çabiri Mijo presented the project at the event organized by Europe House during the Live Session “Capacity Building in Higher Education, students exchange and Jean Monnet”.

Seminars on competence validation
Partner Institution: University of Duisburg-Essen (UDE)
UDE organized seminars (May – July 2020) in reference to the e-VIVA project in the framework of a course module on “Validation” in the Master of Adult Education. The project was presented in the course module which relates to validation of competences in the course “European Continuing Professional Education” with in the Master for Adult Education. e-VIVA was presented as a lighthouse project on the following aspects: ERASMUS+ CBHE projects and presentation of Western Balkan countries.

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